

CEQA# 7611



State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

PROJECT TITLE: Repair North Gate Road

LOCATION: Mount Diablo State Park

COUNTY: Contra Costa

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Repair section of North Gate Road and the road shoulder compromised as a result of a landslide that occurred during winter storms in 2006. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has provided funding for this project. The road section in need of repair is 150 feet long. Excavate the roadway and shoulder including 750 cubic yards of unstable material. To stabilize the roadway, install subdrainage, engineered fill and Tensar Geogrid along the roadway and apply a three-inch asphalt concrete layer over 11 inches of aggregate base. The depth of excavation will be approximately 12 feet below existing grade and will extend down the embankment below the roadway about 22 feet from the existing edge of the pavement. Equipment staging and storage areas are located on existing graded gravel and paved surfaces. No cultural known resources occur in construction or equipment staging areas. Construction equipment and road fill materials will not be staged or stored adjacent to historic culverts and rock walls outside the project area. Prior to construction the project manager, in consultation with the California State Park Historian, will direct all construction crew members to avoid historic culverts and rock walls. If, at any time, the project manager enlarges the designated construction area or equipment staging area adjacent to historic features, the project manager will notify the Historian, who will document and monitor work in these areas. Project effects on endangered and other special status species will be avoided through adherence to the FEMA May 2006 Programmatic Biological Assessment for FEMA-funded disaster assistance projects.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Diablo Vista District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- ☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- ☐ Statutory Exemption (Section)
- ☒ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, 2, 4

Section: 15301, 15302, 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the repair, reconstruction, and minor alteration of existing public facilities and topographical features involving no expansion of use beyond current levels included as "trail or road repairs" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's exempt activities, in accordance with CCR 15300.4.

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